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TOPIC Goetzendorf Airfield and Military Post

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DATE OF CONTENT 24 February 1953

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REFERENCES

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. Between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. on 24 February 1953, the following aircraft were observed at Goetzendorf (P 49/X 57) airfield: 48 Pe-2s including 46 in two rows near the flight control station and 2 apparently damaged planes next to the flight control building, 2 Boston A 20 type planes, 2 Albatros Cotta F 63 A type planes, and 1 biplane. There was 5/10 overcast, at an altitude of about 2,000 meters, a northwesterly wind of about 10 km/h, sunny weather and good visibility. Four flights, each lasting about 3 minutes, were made by the biplane. The mobile flight control station on the southern edge of the field was not in operation. Three trucks and a tank truck were parked near the flight control building. [REDACTED] wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, entered and left the field.¹

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2. A sentry wearing black-bordered blue epaulets was posted at the komendatura. At different times, [REDACTED] were parked in front of this building. The drivers wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Motor vehicles observed at the parking lot included 36 trucks, 8 van-like trucks, 4 jeeps and 11 tank trucks. [REDACTED] The

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drivers of these trucks wore black-bordered blue epaulets; the latter truck also had an assistant driver who wore red-bordered black epaulets. The antenna mast with a cone-shaped bracing, which was removed temporarily, was re-erected at the previous location. No changes were observed at the dump for solid fuels. Three majors wearing black-bordered blue epaulets and 1 major wearing red-bordered black epaulets and artillery insignia were observed entering and leaving the officers' billets. A weapon carrier was parked in front of the building.²

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. It is believed that Goetzendorf airfield is still occupied by a bomber regiment.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. For location of the installations, see Annex [REDACTED]